

PUBLIC HEARING @ 7:15 P.M.
RE: BY-LAW 895 WALLAN REZONING LOT 5A, BLOCK 17, PLAN 952-4569

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TO BE HELD IN THE TOWN OFFICE @ 7:30 P.M.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2008

Present: Mayor: Leona Hanson
Councillors: Mary Hermans
Judy Kokotilo-Bekkerus
Joan Kyle
Craig Milliken
Tracy Willey
Others: Ivan Hegland, Town Manager
Traci Richards, Recording Secretary
Jim Nichol, Public Works Rep.
Clayton Barclay, Beaverlodge Advertiser
Brenda Jones, Beaverlodge & District
News Representative
Trudy Hodges – FCSS
Richard Lappenbush
Chris King

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hanson called the meeting to order at 7:18 p.m.

2.0 ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion #1-09-22-08

Moved by Councillor Hermans that the agenda be approved with the following additions:

- 6.2 Municipal Grant 2008 – Attachment
- 9.1 Good Samaritan Award
- 10.5 Liz Jacobs' Thank You Card
- 10.6 Stars Ambulance Thank You Letter

Carried

3.0 DELEGATIONS

3.1 FCSS Update - Trudy Hodges

Trudy Hodges, FCSS director, presented to council the current programs that are being administered through FCSS, the conferences she's involved with, and meetings she has attended. One thing that was emphasized to council was the lack of volunteers for the programs being offered.

4.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 8th, 2008 – Attachment

Motion #2-09-22-08

Moved by Councillor Willey that the Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held September 8th, 2008 be approved as presented.

Carried.

5.0 TABLED ITEMS

5.1 Conceptual Design for Multi Use Facility

This item will remain tabled.

5.2 Prairie Disposal – Cardboard Recycling

This item will remain tabled.

6.0 FINANCE

6.1 Tax Rebate for Lorne and Elousie Johnson - Attachment

Motion #3-09-22-08

Moved by Councillor Kokotilo-Bekkerus that council will provide the Tax Rebate based on prior agreement.

Carried.

Discussion followed and the decision was made that the arrangement will be reviewed in 2009.

6.2 Municipal Grant 2008 – Attachment

Council discussed this at length and agreed to use the 2008 municipal sponsorship grant for the recreation complex in partnership with the county of Grande Prairie.

Motion #4-09-22-08

Moved by Councilor Hermans that council approves the Municipal Sponsorship Program Resolution hereto attached to these minutes as Annex “A”.

Carried.

7.0 PLANNING

7.1 100 Years of Settlement Monument Committee Request – Attachment

The 100 years of settlement celebration committee requested from council written approval for installation of the monument, a detailed map for outlining the location of the monument, and written acceptance of responsibility by the Town for long-term maintenance of the monument.

Motion #5-09-22-08

Moved by Council Kyle that all the above-mentioned requests be approved and that town support this initiative.

Carried.

7.2 Beaverlodge Medical Clinic – Request to Remove Light Standard – Attachment

The Beaverlodge Medical Clinic wrote a letter to council in regards to the light standard in their parking lot, which takes up two parking stalls. Some of the thoughts included: removal of the standard would reduce the amount of light in the area. Even though the medical clinic would have lights on the building these lights would not be high enough to supply an ample amount of light. Low lighting situations pose safety threats in a very busy intersection. Council decided against the removal of the light standard.

8.0 BY-LAWS

8.1 By-Law # 895 Carey Wallan Rezoning Request (R1 Restricted Residential to Highway Commercial) – 2nd & 3rd Reading

Motion # 6-09-22-08

Moved by Councillor Kyle that **By-Law #895 – Rezoning By-law** be given 2nd Reading.

Carried.

Motion # 7-09-22-08

Moved by Councillor Milliken that **By-Law #895 – Rezoning By-law** be given 3rd and final Reading.

Carried.

9.0 OTHER BUSINESS

9.1 Good Samaritan Award

Councillor Kokotilo-Bekkerus commented to the Good Samaritan Award that was being presented in Wembley to three young girls. On July 12, 2008 there was a murder in Wembley and these three young girls tried to save the victims life. These girls attend Beaverlodge Regional High School and therefore the Town of Beaverlodge presented them with a card and a gift in appreciation in having them as citizens of Beaverlodge.

10.0 READING FILE

10.1 Vital effect – Dynamic “Versatile Website” Package - Nil

10.2 Restorative Justice Week 2008 – Fostering a Restorative Worldview - Nil

10.3 Municipal Law – A Brownlee LLP Municipal Law Team Quarterly Newsletter

Mayor Hanson reminded everyone that the firm that provided this newsletter would be at the AUMA function.

10.4 Wojo Designs – Contractor Activity Report and Invoice 1

Mayor Hanson reminded council that the design of the town branding was put on hold to take care of other business.

10.5 Liz Jacobs Thank You Card

Mayor Hanson read the thank you card aloud to the council. Liz Jacobs expressed in the card her appreciation for the communities in bloom’s work around town.

10.6 Stars Ambulance Thank you Letter

Mayor Hanson noted that the Stars Ambulance sent a letter to the Town of Beaverlodge thanking for the funding support.

11.0 REPORTS

11.1 Mayor Hanson

- Mayor Hanson attended the Community Foundation Event on the weekend. Continued to pursue opportunities to gain partnership.
- Mayor Hanson noted the recruitment process is still ongoing.
- Mayor Hanson mentioned the Community Economic Development training was coming up, and that it would be a good idea to send Svea, Community Development Officer. Need to look into the availability for her to attend.

11.1 Mayor Hanson Continued

- Mayor Hanson attended the EDAC. She found the green topics to be the most interesting. She also has received contacts from the City of Fredericton and would like to incorporate green options in our community.
- Mayor Hanson noted that the committee appointments would be reviewed at the October 14, 2008 meeting.
- Mayor Hanson asked that the old library be placed on the agenda for the October 14, 2008 meeting. Council needs to make a decision regarding what to do with the building. Town staff to find out if there is interested renters.
- Mayor Hanson reiterated the thank you to the Donations received from Beaverlodge Triple 'S' and the Beaverlodge Girls Minor Hockey team.

11.2 Ivan Hegland, Town Administrator

- Ivan Hegland attended the South Peace Regional Water Feasibility Study meeting where the representative from transportation recommended that the town of Wembley apply for funding and that the town of Spirit River also apply for funding. The town of Beaverlodge would be required to support the town of Wembley due to the amount of over sizing.
- Council is invited to a governance meeting on November 20, 2008.

11.3 Councillor Kyle

- Councillor Kyle mentioned the 100 years of Settlement Committee Meeting and how they came up with an official Letterhead.
- Councillor Kyle noted the steering committee meeting was on Monday night.

11.4 Councillor Kokotilo-Bekkerus

- Councillor Kokotilo-Bekkerus talked about strategic planning at the communities in bloom meeting on Tuesday. She also spoke of the passion for trees portrayed in the committee and the plan to preserve and remove trees. The committee is also working on a memory tree program, where donations can be made in conjunction with the campsite and potentially the 100 years monument.
- Councillor Kokotilo-Bekkerus mentioned that the Community of Futures meeting was suggested that rather than being just in Grande Prairie that it be rotated. This needs to be approved by council before making the decision.
- Councillor Kokotilo-Bekkerus will be attending the Grand Spirit Foundation on Friday.

11.5 Councillor Willey

- Councillor Willey addressed the question regarding when 11th avenue paving. She was advised to bring it forward in the planning meeting in November.
- Councillor Willey would like to set a date for the Planning Meeting in the October 14, 2008 meeting.
- Councillor Willey commented on how well the New Comers BBQ went.

11.6 Councillor Milliken

- Councillor Milliken noted the sewer lagoon project was underway.
- Councillor Milliken wanted to set-up servicing period meeting with ATCO in Edmonton.
- Councillor Milliken mentioned the donations from Beaverlodge Triple ‘S’ for \$5,000 and Beaverlodge Girls Minor Hockey Team for \$3,000 toward the Arena Dressing Room Project. There will be a sponsor plaque hung in the arena to commemorate their donations.

11.7 Councillor Hermans

- Councillor Hermans attended the Library Board Meeting and the Board has hired two staff members.
- Councillor Hermans worked Tuesday the 16th to cover the library due to cover staff shortages.
- Councillor Hermans attended the peace Library Board in Fairview and found out there is a new integrated library system called Polaris that will be installed on January 2009.
- Councillor Hermans noted the Library will be open Christmas and New Years and closed the first week in January due to installation on Polaris.
- Councillor Hermans noted that memberships have tripled since the new library has opened.
- Councillor Hermans will attend Public Library Consultation Sessions on October 6. Minister of Municipal affairs will be attending as well. This gives opportunities to develop strategies for government support for the library.
- Councillor Hermans announced that the Wembley Public Library will be open in the Helen E. Taylor school on October 18, 2008.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

Motion #8-09-22-08

Moved by Councillor Kyle that the meeting adjourn at 8:27 p.m.

Carried.

Mayor Leona Hanson

Ivan Hegland, Town Manager